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Liberty Fest is a special weekend for the Canton Community. On June 14-16, Heritage Park will be filled with music, fun, food and laughter as we celebrate our 27th Liberty Fest.

Friends and families can look forward to three action-packed days that all ages and all interests will enjoy.

My personal favorite event of the weekend is on Saturday morning, as I help cook and serve pancakes with the Canton Lions Club from 7-11 a.m.

However, there is something fun going on every minute. Thursday and Friday evenings feature live entertainment all around the park. Friday evening also features International Festival cultural performances from all over the world.

A big part of Liberty Fest is the wide variety of food and beverages that are available throughout the park. The Beverage Tent, as well as the Taste of Liberty Fest will be located near the amphitheater once again, where festival-goers can enjoy signature menu

items from area restaurants, and adult beverages. Of course other festival favorites will be available all weekend. We are talking about corn dogs, cotton candy, kettle corn, elephant ears and more.

Of course, Liberty Fest wouldn't be complete without the carnival rides. They will be available every day for the adventure-seekers in your family. Wristbands are available for purchase on site.

The Liberty Fest weekend comes to a close on Saturday night when the night sky erupts with one of the largest and most spectacular fireworks shows in Michigan. Tens of thousands of neighbors will fill Heritage Park, area backyards, Pheasant Run Golf Club, and roads in the area to view this absolutely incredible aerial show.

We are so proud to continue Canton's 27-year tradition of presenting a family-friendly weekend event. Most events and activities are available with little or no cost to festival attendees.



Canton Supervisor Pat Williams

For a full schedule of events, please visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com

I hope to see all of you out at Liberty Fest 2018!

Pat Williams
Canton Supervisor





Foreign affair

International Festival will highlight weekend entertainment

The traditional International Festival will again take place during Canton Liberty Fest this year. The highly-anticipated celebration of diversity will include a variety of cultures from around the world from 11:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday, June 16, on the Canton LIVE! Stage in Heritage Park.

Festival-goers are encouraged to stop by the Canton LIVE! Stage on Saturday to enjoy free performances in Heritage Park that communicate across cultural and linguistic barriers from countries across the globe, including: China, India, Italy, Mexico, Tahiti, the United States, New Zealand, as well as cultural offerings, such as African American and Hawaiian/Polynesian.

"Arts lovers look forward to our annual International Festival, which provides a unique opportunity for audience members to experience

music and dance from around the globe all in one location," said Canton Performing Arts Coordinator Joe Kvorciak. "Audience members of all ages will be delighted as the stage comes alive with colorful costuming and exotic instruments when these talented individuals share their heritage and some traditions that date back

centuries."

Groups and performers expected to take the stage, include: Taiji Stream - Yong Style Tai Chi; Canton Summit Dance Team - Xinjiang Dance from North West China; Sunshine Children's Choir; Hoaloha - Hawaiian, Polynesian, New Zealand, & Tahitian Dance; Verdi Opera Theatre of





Michigan; "Highland of Tibet" Solo by Michelle Zhang; Belly Dance Soumboula Hanom performed by Fay; Chinese Dance Solo by Kayla Li; Asian Indian Dance; Shihui Dance; Michigan New Century Chinese School Performances; Ann Arbor Jade Dance Studio; Joyas de Mexico Ballet; Yangtze Melody Group; Flag Ministry; Mimes, & Praise Dancers from New

Hope Baptist Church of Wayne; Heart Melody Group & Others; Canton Qi Pao Team; Sitar Performance featuring Charvik Vaishnav, a student of Manjula Verma; Ann Arbor Waist Drum Team; Michigan Chinese Folk Dance Group; Inner-Action Dance; Pipa Solo by Angela Bolon; Bollybun Dancers; Little Angels-Yellow River with 99 Curves; Arya Dance Academy;

and Spotlight Players.

These performances, presented by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage Multicultural Committee, are suitable for all ages.

For more detailed information about the International Festival and all things related to the Liberty Fest, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com or call (734) 394-5460.

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Flipping out Lions Club and Foundation serve pancakes to aid youth

Members of the Canton Lions Club and Foundation are hard workers with big hearts.

"It's a great bunch of men and women who are really concerned about children," said John Anthony, president of the Canton Lions Club Foundation. The Foundation will present a Pancake Breakfast 8-11 a.m. Saturday, June 16, at the Heritage Park Pavilion during the Canton Liberty Fest.

"It's been a tradition. It is a way we can give back to the community," said Anthony, a retired FBI agent, who also serves as a trustee on the Canton Township board.

"If you ever met one of these kids, it breaks your heart," he said. "It's a labor of love." Anthony and his wife have two



grown children and four grandchildren, ages 4 to 14.

Having healthy children and grandchildren reminds Anthony of the key work of Lions International and Canton Lions to help children with vision and

hearing problems. Most referrals for help come through schools, he said.

"It's not because they're not bright enough. It's because they can't see or hear the teacher," Anthony said.

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Breakfast Saturday, June 16, costs \$7 for adults, \$5 for children under age 12. "We don't raise billions of dollars. There is no money going to any (club) officer," Anthony said.

Some additional flair will be added to the event this year with Chris Cakes of Michigan. Cooks will be flipping pancakes high onto plates for those brave enough to catch them.

Ron Sullivan is the Canton Lions Club president.

The Canton Lions Club was founded in 1968 and its Foundation, with 501(c)3 tax status, is 3-years-old. "The Pancake Breakfast itself has been more than 10 years in the running," Anthony said. "The Canton Lions Club is part of an international organization."

About 50 people are active members of the Canton Lions Club, who meet 6 p.m. the third Monday of each month at Rose's Restaurant on Canton Center Road north of Cherry Hill Road.

Saturday morning at Liberty Fest



includes a 5K race, Anthony said, "It's just a good opportunity to start the morning off right."

The Lions buy eyeglasses for school-children, with Anthony noting helping with hearing impairment was "sort of a natural progression."

Charities getting Canton Lions Club Foundation support include: Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor, Michigan Eye Bank,

Rochester Hills-based Leader Dogs for the Blind, Ever Site, and Livonia-based Seedlings, which provides Braille books.

Staff members at Penrickton, like Janet K. Ames, the community relations/social worker, are solidly behind the Canton Lions as well as other Lions who help.

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Canton Liberty Festival

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"Our mission is to help each blind, multiply disabled child be as independent as possible. We offer a 5-day residential program, up to 5-day, day-care program and a consultation program. Our programming is in partnership with the parents and family members providing support, information and advocacy skills to assist each child for years to come," Ames said.

Penrickton, which helps children ages 1-12, is a 501(c)3 and was established in 1952. It receives no state, federal or United Way funds and there is no charge for its services, Ames said.

"We are able to work with blind, multiply disabled children and their families thanks to the help of the community, businesses, organizations and service clubs. Canton Lions are one of the important pieces to that puzzle; they have assisted with cash donations as well as clothes and toys for one of

children during the holidays. Penrickton Center is simply dependent on service clubs like the Canton Lions to help us continue the work we have been doing for 66 years," Ames said.

In addition to financial assistance, Penrickton Center welcomes donations of food and essential items, she said, noting, "We are always in need of volunteers to help out around the building and at special events. In addition volunteers can complete a special training program to work with the children." More information is available at www.penrickton.com.

"It's one of the important pieces of the puzzle," Ames added of Pancake Breakfast support.

Leader Dogs for the Blind also has a long and proud history, having operated one of largest innovative guide dog organizations in the work since 1939. Information about Leader Dogs for the Blind is available at www.leaderdog.org.

Anthony said Canton Lions awards two college scholarships each year to Plymouth-Canton Educational Park graduates with a hearing or visual impairment.

"As rewarding as the FBI was, this has a different reward," he said. "I'm just glad I'm healthy enough," at age 78 to participate.

The scholarship recipients talk to the Lions about their plans. "And then they'll come back in a year or two and tell us how they're doing," he said.

"It's not easy," he added of meeting those with disabilities. One young woman who earned a scholarship recently shared her growing knowledge of sign language to help hearing impaired people.

Younger children who receive eyeglasses or hearing help usually see an improvement in their school performance.

"Now they're A and B students. It's worked out well," Anthony said.



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Twin artists add creativity to pancake breakfast

Art will accompany the Canton Lions Club Pancake Breakfast at the Liberty Fest on Saturday morning.

Empty Canvas, a musical group comprised of twin brothers Mike and Scott McMath, will offer unique entertainment during the breakfast event. What sets the brothers apart from other musicians is that Mike McMath is not only a singer, but is also a professional artist. During the performance, McMath will sing and paint an entire image.

The client gets to select the image he or she would like McMath to paint, and he never does the same picture twice, organizer Sue Genau noted. Audience members get to become part of the show as well. McMath will bring folks up on stage to add their own paint strokes to the image. Genau added that this is not splash painting or upside

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down painting like is often done seen elsewhere.

McMath's creations are beautiful works of art that clients are proud to display in their home or workplace, Genau said. At the end of the show, (either one or two hours long), the painting can be auctioned or raffled - and the client gets to keep the proceeds. It's a great way to recover all, if

not more than, the entertainment expense, Empty Canvas organizers agree.

"This is our first time performing at the Liberty Festival," Genau noted. They decided to participate, "because we love to perform at benefits and fundraisers all over the Midwest."

The proceeds of the money collected for the painting will go to the Canton Lions Club, said Canton Recreation Specialist Laura Mortier: Actively involved in service to the blind and visually impaired. Lions Clubs International is also committed to providing services for youth and work to improve the environment, build homes for the disabled, support diabetes education, conduct hearing programs and, through their foundation, provide disaster relief around the world.

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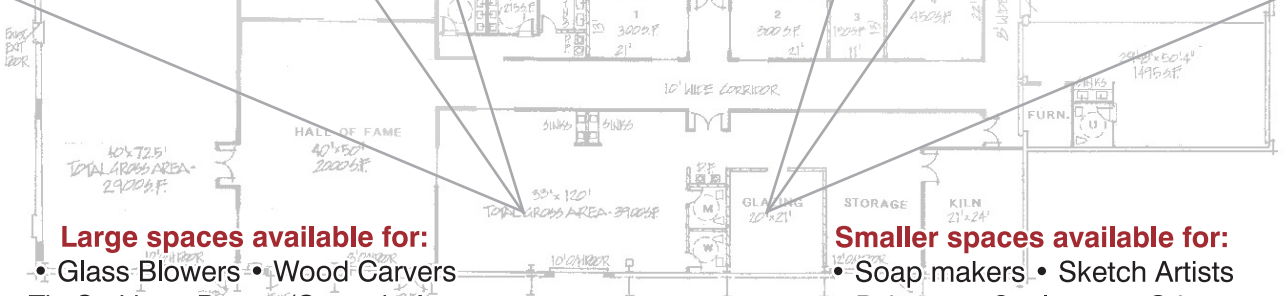
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P'art' of history

Reclaimed factory offers space for veterans and artists

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Henry Ford had the right idea in 1944 when he used one of his factory buildings to employ veterans of World War II.

Nearly 75 years later, members of the Canton Township Partnership for the Arts & Humanities are following Mr. Ford's lead and restoring a building on the same property into spaces to be used by veterans and area artists working on projects.

The Village Arts Factory, a 14-acre property at Cherry Hill and Ridge roads, is now leasing space for artists to pursue their crafts.

Veteran Gerald Dodson of Canton said his work in making jewelry has helped him cope with post-traumatic stress disorder. He served in both Vietnam and Korea and is among returning military veterans who'll benefit from art therapy and more at the Village Arts Factory.

The Ann Arbor-based Eisenhower Center will become a tenant in the building this fall explained Jill Engel, executive director of the Canton Partnership for the Arts & Humanities. That new tenant will work with female veterans as part of the After the Impact program.

"They decided to work last fall specifically with female veterans because it (that segment of returning veterans) is underserved," she said.

This fall is the target to open the large warehouse studio space and gallery boutique located in the Cherry Hill Village area. Tenants in the arts community are being sought regionally with an understanding the larger ones in particular will provide arts classes for veterans.

The dormitory dates back to 1944



Jill Engel, executive director of the Canton Partnership for the Arts & Humanities, and volunteer Glenn Shaw are working on the Village Arts Factory and are seeking paying artist tenants.

and is among sites on the National Register of Historic Places from the U.S. Department of the Interior. It was part of Henry Ford's effort to employ veterans returning from World War II as part of his village industries program.

The Canton building is one of the least publicized of Ford's sites where post-war disabled veterans were employed. The 1940s workers also supplied parts for the Willow Run Bomber

Plant.

Volunteer and local business owner Glenn Shaw has been working to help line up tenants to support the endeavor. The women's portion of the project, which won't include them living on site, will provide art, music, health and wellness services.

Shaw said woodcarvers, glass blowers "all these different things that are considered in the arts category" are sought as paying tenants in the build-



Work is under way, including at the former dormitory site, which holds a 1944 National Register of Historic Places plaque from the U.S. Department of the Interior by the door.

ing. Those who create smaller art items like jewelry and paintings will use smaller cubicle spaces with less extensive obligations than larger tenants.

"People will be able to take workshops, observe or be able to shop. The artists will have opportunities to create and sell," Shaw said.

The Michigan Visual Artists Hall of Fame is registered with the State of Michigan as the only one now of its kind in the state, said Engel. She's excited, too, she said, about the Motor Cities National Heritage Area passport stamp program of historic automotive landmarks, including the Village Arts Factory.

She and others are working with the Pure Michigan effort, "so we'll be a tourist destination for automotive heritage," she said.

The location near the Washtenaw County line gives a good "in between" spot between Detroit as well as Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, she said.

"There are so many opportunities for artists in the warehouse," she said, noting eventually walking and bicycle trails with flower and sculpture gardens will be added. "We're looking for people who would be interested in moving into the site. We plan on people being able to move in this fall."

Emailing Jill Engel at jengel@partnershipforarts.org gives prospective tenants more information.

"We're looking for people now," Shaw added. "We'd like to have a whole bunch of people sign."



A beautiful fountain is within walking distance of the Village Arts Factory, which will support arts and arts education, help returning veterans heal, and offer local history learning while promoting tourism.

"This is a regional project," Engel said. She added that she is excited about the nearby Cherry Hill Village Theater and the completed housing development, as well as office workers nearby who'll be able to visit on breaks.

"This is kind of an untapped area," Engel said.

"I think the atmosphere for the artists to be together is invaluable. They trade off on each other, with ideas. We really think this is going to be an exciting venue for people to spend a day," Shaw said.

The site has been vacant more than a decade, making organizers enthused about the future of the project. The Cherry Hill Ford Factory Complex

consisted of two buildings originally, the Veteran's Dormitory and Ford Factory. Food service including a restaurant on site is in the works, along with art learning for all ages.

Engel proudly wears jewelry created by Army veteran Dodson.

"He's given me bracelets, earrings. I try to wear them all the time," she said, holding aloft her wrist. "Working with art has connected him back to his passions."

The Partnership website also notes volunteer opportunities that are hands-on, including construction help. The Partnership for the Arts & Humanities is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization.

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Thursday, June 14 1-11 p.m.

Carnival 1-10 p.m.

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- Tickets: 4 tickets for \$5, and sheets of 50 tickets are \$50 - available for purchase during the festival at Ticket Booths (rides require 2-5 tickets each).
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Sensory Hours: Thursday only, 1-3 p.m. Perfect for guests sensitive to loud noises.

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Entertainment Highlights

Amphitheater Stage

5-6:30 p.m. Tommy Vale: Oldies

8-10 p.m. The Prolifics: Known for amazing vocal harmonies and choreography, this talented group will perform all your favorite Motown Hits!

Festival Food and Drink

Liberty Fest Beer and Wine Garden:

Thursday & Friday 4-10 p.m. & Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m. Co-Hosted by the Canton Rotary Club and Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club, provided by O & W Distributors. Guests 21 years and older must show ID to purchase beer and wine.

50/50 raffle Proceeds will be used for a international project through Rotary International to benefit a school in Ghana, Africa and the purchase of Bravery Beads for children fighting cancer through Optimist International.

1-10 p.m. Concession Vendors – Enjoy all the classic foods commonly found at festivals, including:

corn dogs, elephant ears, roasted almonds, kettle corn, gyros, smoothies, pretzels, and so much more!

Beer & Wine Garden and Taste of Liberty Fest are now LOCATED near the Amphitheater!
Enjoy a NEW beer garden area with lawn games and seating.

Additional Highlights

Inflatable Obstacle Course: 5-9 p.m. Participants of all ages can compete in unlimited timed runs for \$1 per day. Prizes will be given to overall winners for age groups will be announced on Monday, June 18 on Facebook @CantonLibertyFest and @SummitOnThePark.

Scholarship Book Fair: All proceeds from book sales provide books for our summer camps.

Lego Tent: Check out this amazing Lego Build that includes real moving Lego's!

Misting Stations: 4-9:30 p.m. Three free stations located throughout the park will help you keep cool.

LIBERTY FEST Club 55+ PICNIC: 5-7 p.m. Join us as we kick off our Annual Liberty Fest in Heritage Park. Come enjoy a picnic style meal with friends and play either a quick game of bingo or just sit back and enjoy each other's company. Fee: \$9M/\$10R/\$12NR. Advance registration required.

NEW! Quench Carts: Located on each side of the park to get re-hydrated. At each cart, festival goers can refill cups and water bottles.

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Entertainment Highlights

Amphitheater Stage

5-7 p.m. Alexandra N'Transit: Powerful Rock and Blues Jams

8-10 p.m. Magic Bus: A special performance of psychedelic rock music of the 60s & 70s, paying tribute to the era of Woodstock.

Canton LIVE! Stage

6-7 p.m. Farmington School of Rock: Kids from this School of Rock will get the crowd hopping playing all your favorite rock classics.

7-8:30 p.m. Daniel Harrison and the \$2 Highway: Country toe-tappin' tunes.

Festival Food & Drink

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4-11 p.m. Taste of Liberty Fest – Area restaurants are on site offering their signature menu items!

Located near the Amphitheater. For a list of restaurants, visit cantonlibertyfest.com.

4-11 p.m. Food Truck Rally - Enjoy gourmet eats from some of the finest Food Trucks. Located near the Amphitheater. For a list of Food Trucks, visit cantonlibertyfest.com.

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Additional Highlights

Clydesdale Horse: 1-8 p.m. Get up close with a Clydesdale Horse. Located near north pavilions.

Liberty Run Race Registration and Packet Pick-Up: 4:00-7:00 p.m. at Civic Center & Veteran's Way.

Marketplace: 4 p.m.-Dusk Local artisans, crafters, businesses, community groups, and vendors share their information, goods, and services around the large pond.

Inflatable Obstacle Course: 1-9 p.m. Participants of all ages can compete in unlimited timed runs for \$1 per attempt. Prizes will be given to overall winners for age groups will be announced on Monday, June 18 on Facebook @CantonLibertyFest and @SummitOnThePark.

Firefly Drone Show: 9:30 p.m. & 10:15 p.m. Visible from anywhere in the park. Be amazed by colors, formations, and transitions with approximately 30 drones!

Scholastic Book Fair: All proceeds from book sales provide books for our summer camps.

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Liberty Fest Car & Truck Show

8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Enjoy a stroll around the gazebo and small pond, while viewing classic vehicles.

Entertainment Highlights

Amphitheater Stage

2-7:30 p.m. Paint and Pour: Classes begin at the top of each hour (30 participants per hour). Fee \$5 includes one ticket to the beer and wine tent.

2-4 p.m. High School Singer Showcase: Enjoy local performers: Sami Mei, The Terrell Sisters, and Big Time Cheer.

4-5:30 p.m. Sonic Freeway: Performing the hottest dance hits from all decades.

6:15-7:30 p.m. The Scott Martin Band: Local group singing rock and country favorites!

8-10 p.m. The Feelgood Band: Playing your favorite hits from the 80s and 90s.

Canton LIVE! Stage

11:30 a.m.-6 p.m. International Festival: Art, music, dance and traditions of our diverse community's cultures.

8-10 p.m. Atomic Radio: Performing today's top 40 songs!

Festival Food & Drink

Liberty Fest Beer and Wine Garden: Thursday & Friday 4-10 p.m. & Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Co-Hosted by the Canton Rotary Club and Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club, provided by O & W Distributors. Guests 21 years and older must show ID to purchase beer and wine.

50/50 raffle Proceeds will be used for a international project through Rotary International to benefit a school in Ghana, Africa and the purchase of Bravery Beads for children fighting cancer through Optimist International.

8-11 a.m. (or until sold out) Canton Lions Club Charity Pancake Breakfast

NEW LOCATION near the Amphitheater. All proceeds go to support the Canton Lions Club Foundation. New this year: Pancakes will be prepared by Chris Cakes! \$7 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Costume characters will be on site for you to visit with and get pictures with. Enjoy live entertainment by Empty Canvas (music and painting). Artwork will be auctioned off, with proceeds to benefit the Canton Lions Club Foundation.

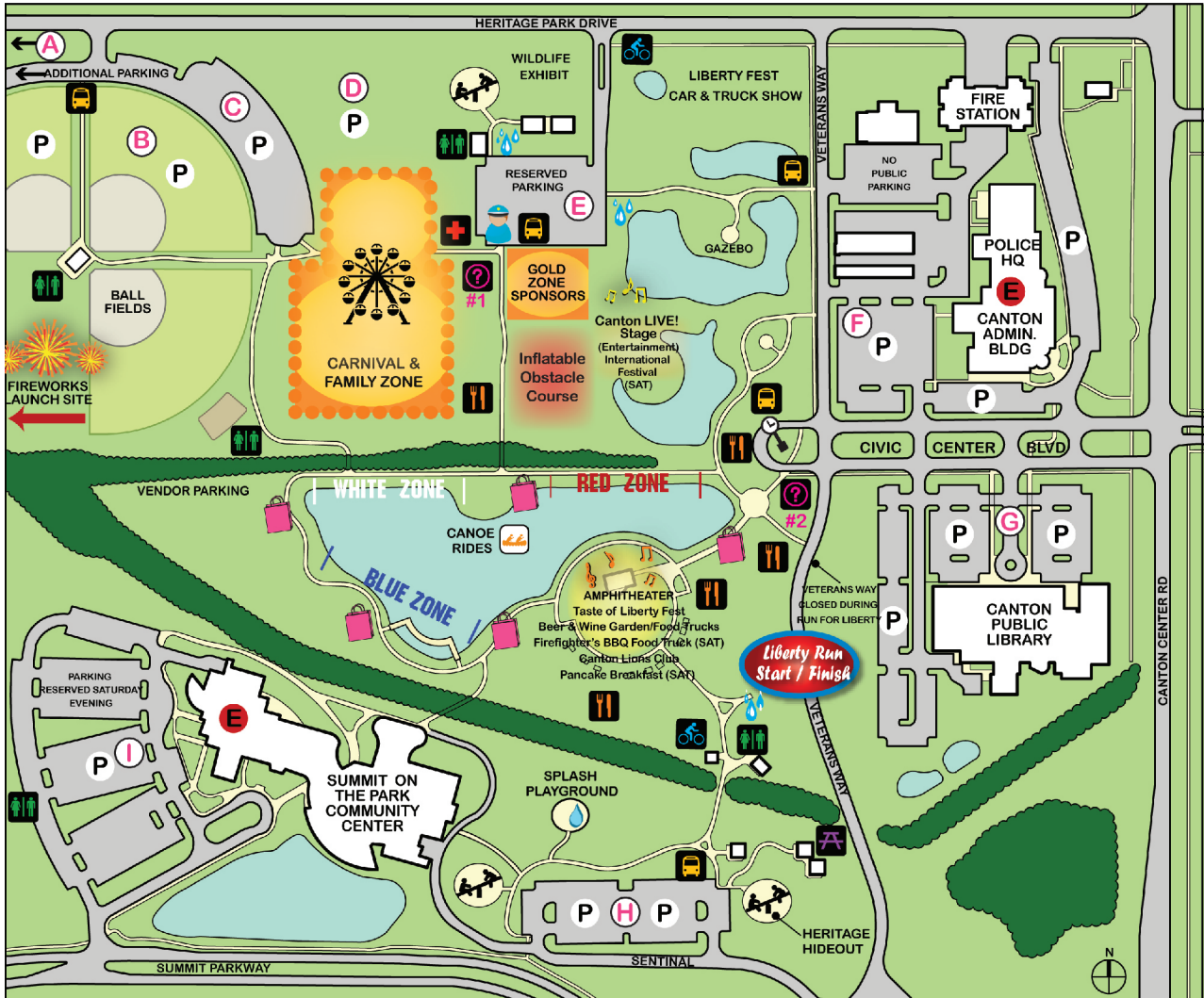
1-10 p.m. Concession Vendors - Enjoy all the classic foods commonly found at festivals, including: corn dogs, elephant ears, roasted almonds, kettle corn, gyros, smoothies, pretzels, and so much more!

Noon -11 p.m. Taste of Liberty Fest - Area restaurants are on site offering their signature menu items! Located near the Amphitheater. For a list of restaurants, visit cantonlibertyfest.com.

4-11 p.m. Food Truck Rally - Enjoy gourmet eats from some of the finest Food Trucks. Located near the Amphitheater. For a list of Food Trucks, visit cantonlibertyfest.com.



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Located in Heritage Park, adjacent to the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188

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Whoa, Sophia

Clydesdale visits fans at Liberty Fest

There will be a very large attraction at the Canton Liberty Fest this year:

Sophia the Clydesdale, along with some other horses from Chamberlin Pony Rides, will be at the event again this year, eager to meet youngsters and pose for photographs.

Canton Township has rented the horses for specific hours during the festival, noted Canton Township Recreation Specialist Laura Mortier:

Hours to meet the horses will be 1-8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 15-16, in Heritage Park. Sally Van Buren, Reservation manager for Chamberlin, said they are the only company in the country that offers "Ride the Clyde" although there will be too many peo-

ple at Liberty Fest to allow any rides.

"We began our company in 2000 with a dream to provide a forever home for farm animals. Now, 18 years later we are proud to have been voted Michigan's 'Best Entertainment Company.' We strive to exceed our customers' expectations and as parents ourselves we provide the party experience we dream of for our own children. Our company policy is to settle for nothing less than 'Raving Fans' with every event we host," Van Buren said.

More information about Chamberlin parties is available online at www.chamberlinponyrides.com. Van Buren notes there are pony or horseback rides, pony cart rides,



Sophia the Clydesdale

llama rides, Clydesdale rides, a petting farm, face painting, balloon twisting, and other events.

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New store invests in local youth projects

Being new to Canton is exciting for leadership of the Hudsonville, Michigan-based B2 Outlet Stores, which invest profits back into local projects to benefit youth.

"Canton is our first east side of the state location," said Director of Marketing Jonathan Norder of the store that opened on Canton Center Road in late April. "We're excited to be opening there."

The business, with outlet stores concentrated for now in west Michigan, has been in existence about four years. It's owned by father and son, Duane and Matt Smith.

"It is fully an outlet store. It's all brand-new," Norder explained of merchandise. "We invest the majority of our profits back into projects that benefit youth."

Students are able to do such jobs as

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putting out clothes and unloading trucks, with money raised used for such things as church mission work or mentoring.

B2 Outlet Stores is working through Canton Leisure Services already to help the B.L.O.C.K. youth center, and is also in preliminary conversation with NorthRidge Church and other churches.

In addition, B2 Outlet Stores has a "Shop2Give" program in which an organization signs up for a Monday-

Thursday time. Each shopper represented becomes part of a percentage boosting the group's coffers.

The new Canton store is at 1717 N. Canton Center Road in the Centre Village. B2 Outlet Stores' website is www.B2Outlets.com.

"We are a Christian company, but we don't require organizations we partner with to be Christian-focused," Norder explained. A 501(c)3 nonprofit status is needed to participate.

"Our real mission is empowering tomorrow's leaders today. It's empowering youth to give them help to reach whatever goals they have."

Demographics played a part in choosing Canton, as did its central location for the region. "We really identified Canton for a few different reasons. Great churches, great organizations in the area," Norder said.



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Show offs

Car show returns to Canton Liberty Festival this year

Back by popular demand, Canton's 27th Annual Liberty Fest will once again feature a car and truck show around the picturesque ponds of Heritage Park. The Canton Liberty Fest Car and Truck Show will take place from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 16, in partnership with United Street Machine Association Customs & Rods.

After a one-year hiatus, the Liberty Fest Car and Truck Show will bring hundreds of classic, custom, special interest, street rods and trucks onto the grounds of Canton Heritage Park, located behind the Canton Administration Building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton. These unique vehicles will be on display on the last day of this year Canton Liberty Fest. Entry into the Liberty Fest Car and Truck Show and parking are free.

"We're excited to be able to feature such a great variety of cars and trucks at Liberty Fest this year," said Special Event Coordinator Gary Marks. "It was important to bring back this popular part of our festival that allows car enthusiasts to enjoy these machines in such a unique setting."

Trophies will be awarded to individual classes, as well as "Best of Show" and "Outstanding" categories at a spe-



cial presentation ceremony at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 16.

A special pre-registration cruise is planned for 4-7 p.m. Wednesday, June 13, at the Plymouth VFW Post 6695, which is located at 1426 S. Mill Street in Plymouth.

United Street Machine Association Customs & Rods is celebrating its 39th year as a car club and has been hosting car-related events since the summer of 1971. Many of the original 'cruise crew' has been involved with organizing and producing top quality automotive events for thousands of car enthusiasts

for years. For additional information about United Street Machine Association Customs & Rods, visit www.unitedstreetmachines.com.

Canton's 27th annual Liberty Fest will take place June 14-16 in Heritage Park, which is located adjacent to the Canton Administration Building, west of Canton Center Road between Cherry Hill Road and Summit Parkway. For additional information about the Liberty Fest Car and Truck Show, including online registration, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.com or call (734) 394-5460.



Friendly drink

Optimists to help Rotary Club with beverage tent sales

The Rotary Club, which has sponsored the Liberty Fest Beverage Tent, for the past five years, will get a little help from some friends this year to keep up with the thirsty crowds.

Members of the Canton Optimist Club, the Plymouth AM Rotary Club, and some Canton Township senior citizens have volunteered to help out serving the adult beverages, noted Rotary Club President elect Sue Kowalski.

"We hope to have a large number of volunteers. We will also be supported by volunteers through the (Canton) Township Leisure Services," commented Rotary member Bill Tesen.

The Canton Rotary Club website is www.cantonrotary.com.

Members of the Plymouth Canton Optimists have volunteered to help the Rotary Club members in selling a selection of red, white and blush wines in the beverage tent.

This is the first year the Optimist Club members have volunteered with the Rotary Club, but Optimist Club President Pam Batcho and others expect that the wine sales will become a well-liked addition to the festival.

Hours of beverage service will be 4-10 p.m. Thursday, June 14, noon to 10 p.m. Friday, June 15, and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, June 16. Price is \$5 for beer or for wine or five for \$20.

Proceeds go to the Canton Rotary Club Foundation and will be used to support: Salvation Army food drives, a

school backpack program, high school scholarships, the Little Free Library program (which places small "library boxes" in neighborhoods and business zones), a tree planting program, and hydration stations.

In addition, Canton Rotary supports projects outside the country, like cooking pots for use at disaster sites.

Wine will be priced at \$5 per glass which is the same cost as the beer. The Optimists are participating hoping to raise money to purchase Bravery beads for children fighting cancer. The club will also contribute financial support to The B.L.O.C.K. youth center and the "Lead Like a Girl" program, both of which align with the Optimists' vision and mission, she said.



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Joyful noise

Local opera stars will perform at festival Saturday

Three performers from the Verdi Opera Theatre will perform during the Canton Liberty Fest International Festival June 16.

The three, special appearance by sopranos Kristine Overman and Rachel Miltimore, as well as Tenor Cole Harvey, are scheduled to begin at 12:35 p.m. The performers will be accompanied on piano by Joshua Marzan.

Marzan is a freelance pianist in the Southeast Michigan area. He currently works for the University of Michigan as a staff pianist, playing with instrumentalists and coaching singers. He recently played for George Shirley's tribute concert, performing with his former students, including Lori Hicks, Darryl



Kristine Overman



Rachel Miltimore



Cole Harvey

Taylor, and Scott Piper. Before coming to Michigan, Joshua received a BM degree in Piano Performance from Virginia Commonwealth University

and an MM and GD in Collaborative piano from the New England

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Conservatory. He graduated last year with a DMA in Collaborative Piano from the University of Michigan under Martin Katz.

Kristine Overman, soprano, is currently pursuing her bachelor's degree at the University of Michigan. Originally from Farmington Hills, Overman was the 2014 winner of the Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition for Michigan high school students. She has performed internationally with Oberlin in Italy's 2015 production of Handel's "Serse", as Romilda, and recently debuted the role of the Countess in Mozart's "Le Nozze di Figaro", with both Prague Summer Nights under the direction of renowned baritone Sherrill Milnes, and with the University of Michigan Opera Theater.

Rachel Miltimore, soprano, spent

seven seasons with the Michigan Opera Theatre Children's Chorus serving as the head chorister. In her more than 15 performances, she sang in Carmen, The Mikado, La Boheme, H.M.S. Pinafore, Carmina Burana, Brundibar, and Turandot. She is a regularly featured soloist performing the National Anthem and God Bless America for the Detroit Tigers. She recently won first place in the Schoolcraft College vocal competition and third place in the 2018 Verdi Opera High School Vocalists Competition. Miltimore has also performed with the Brigham Young University Young Ambassadors, and is an intern with the Rackham Symphony Choir.

Cole Harvey, tenor, graduated from Milford High School and is attending Michigan State University in the fall on a full-tuition scholarship to study vocal performance. He placed second at the Verdi Opera Italian Songs and Arias Vocal Competition this year, and he is

also a Michigan Thespian Scholarship recipient and a 2017 MYAF Vocal Finalist. He was part of the 2018 All State Honor Choir, and received Superior ratings from the Michigan School Vocal Music Association for his solo and ensemble singing as well as for his musical theater solo and ensemble performances.

The Verdi Opera Theatre of Michigan, founded in 1988 and based in Canton, is a non-profit organization dedicated to encouraging and supporting the development of young opera singers, and to fostering appreciation of the music of Giuseppe Verdi and other composers of opera and popular music.

For additional information about the International Festival, which is presented by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts & Heritage Multicultural Committee, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org or call (734) 394-5300.

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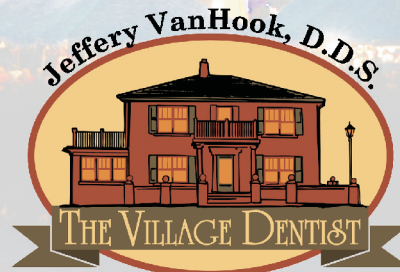
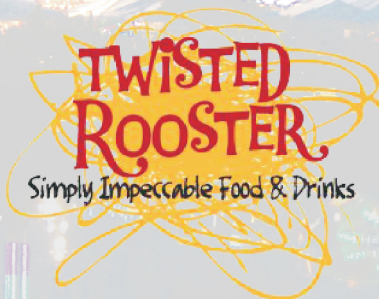
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